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## **Mountain Biking, the D.N.R. and YOU!**

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**By Dwain Abramowski**

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Where were you on October 10, 1989?

I was in Mt. Pleasant Michigan, and though it's the home of my alma mater, Central Michigan University - you may think it's really no place special when it comes to mountain biking. But in reality, on this past October 10th, it was a place very special when it comes to mountain biking in Michigan.

The Mount Pleasant Inn just off of U.S. 27 was the site of the first meeting of the D.N.R. Statewide Recreational Trails Development Committees. The D.N.R. has launched a state wide assessment, evaluation and plan for development of trails in Michigan. In short the D.N.R. is deciding who can use what trails, when and where.

Who was at the meeting?

There are six committees, Snowmobilers, ORVs, Equestrians, Cross Country Skiers, Hikers and Bicyclists. There are approximately six to seven people on each committee. Of the seven people on the Bicyclist committee, I was the only person exclusively representing Mountain Biking.

What went down?

In the past, a trail use and development policy, was virtually non-existent as far as I can understand. Each group was working independently of each other, sometimes making progress and solving problems that arose in trail use and development and sometimes not. The purpose of the D.N.R. committee program is to help develop an understanding of each trail users concerns and needs and then determine a course of action to meet those needs and concerns.

The needs were varied all across the board and each group defended their position in regards to trail use and voiced concerns about uses inconsistent with their goals and objectives. At the meeting we were given a list of questions to answer in terms of the group we represented. I tried to answer the questions as I think each of you, as mountain bikers would have wanted them answered. The fact is - I need to hear from you in order to better voice of your concerns and needs as I represent you (on the committee) to the D.N.R.

Between now and next spring, there will most likely be changes in the who, what, when and where of trail access for mountain bikers. There are some good things that may come out of the changes, and unfortunately there are some very bad things in the works for mountain bikers. At this time nothing is final, and over the next few months the bicycle committee I chair will be meeting and will try to influence the outcome of the changes in the works.

As I have said before, if you want to bike - you have to

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## Editorial

### Is The BRB Dead?

NO! It's incorporating as the official newsletter for the new (MMBA) Michigan Mountain Biking Association, see page 7 for details.

Exciting changes are happening to the Bent Rim Bugle. As you read this Dwain Abramowski is the new editor. Earlier this summer it became increasingly clear that this newsletter had to become a bonified venture or die. Also, in light of recent developments with Michigan trails being closed, we must become more organized and serious. I simply do not have the time, nor do I feel qualified to head up a growing organization.

When the DNR contacted me about the trails committee, I felt Dwain would be a better choice. He is a professional writer, mountain bike enthusiast and racer (at least he pretends to be), involved concerned citizen, and has had experience in dealing with committees & organizations. Of all these make him the logical choice to take over the newsletter. I will continue to help out behind the scenes where I feel more comfortable.

Depending on the type of funding available, there will be a few changes in the format and content of future issues. More attention will be given to land access and developing issues that concern mountain bike users. Dwain also has some great ideas to inject some fun into the newsletter. The Bugle will continue to provide race information and Great Lakes area mountain bike news. But more than that, the Bent Rim Bugle will reflect the information Dwain receives from you. The more information and stories he receives, the better the newsletter will be.

To all the volunteers who contributed with time, services, supplies, money, phone calls, stamps, etc... Thank you from the bottom of my heart!!! I apologize to everyone who did not receive a reply to their letter, phone call, or something else I promised and didn't deliver on. I'm still working on it... Honest!

Your articles, ideas, photographs, and support are always welcome! Don't forget the new address.

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## Sugar Loaf and Boyne Go Cable: Mountain Bikers Pleased



*Scott Diment and his "Raleigh Buddies"  
at Sugar Loaf*

### Text and Photo By Dwain Abramowski

If you are a downhill or cross country skier you already know that if you're serious about enjoying these two winter time activities in Michigan, there's only one place to go - north. The farther north you go, the better the skiing is on the whole.

Well, I'm not saying that there aren't any good rides in southern Michigan. (Any ride is what you make it more or less.) However, if you're interested in finding some downhill vertical to get your fat tires humming "Born to Be Wild...", some single track to test your bike handling skills, and/or some uphills that are steep, long, and challenging - North is where you want to be.

Channel 28 the Weather Channel, (what's a ride without a weather report?)

The weather at Sugar Loaf on race day was sunny and around seventy degrees. Perfect riding weather, I mean right off the cover of a some mountain biking brochure. As I understand it the course at Sugar Loaf had undergone some modifications since the race held there in the spring. After listening to the back ground conversation at the race I would say that most were pleased with the course's design. The course held one's interest fairly well. There were a lot of ups and downs, with most of the course winding through the woods around the base of the ski hills that make Sugar Loaf a great winter time ski area.

To help add some seriousness to the fun course, Sugar Loaf was challenged by Lisa Muich from Specialized. Lisa

gave it her usual "all out" performance and the crowd wasn't disappointed. And you won't be disappointed either if you get a chance to ride the course at Sugar Loaf, it's a great place to ride in northern lower Michigan, and open for your enjoyment. One week later I was in my van heading north again. The weather report?

Well, there was a big bright yellow sun rising in the east saying, "you want another beautiful day for mountain biking...you got it!" And though the morning started out cold, by race time it was perfect weather to ride.

Let's change the channel to the Home Shopping Network and talk about "first class" merchandise...

When it comes to skiing downhill, Boyne is known as a "first class" resort if you have the bucks. This was the first mountain bike race for this "first class" resort, and overall I would say it was a "first class" success. On channel 4, something about the land of Oz...

The course was a wide, 6.2 mile cross country ski trail, and in many spots the course might have qualified as a two track. Most of the race was in the woods with two short sections of pavement and just a minimal amount of sand here and there. But in my opinion, what made the course something to write home to Auntie Em about was the downhill. The first 2/3rds of the course was spent virtually climbing up and down small hills that in the end didn't go down as far as you climbed up. As you neared the last third of the course you rode up a short shot of pavement and then turned back into the woods and started "the decent". It was fast. Very fast. It was as fast as you wanted to let your bike go, with big sweeping turns back and forth through the woods. It was virtually rut free and smooth. And it was long. Very long. One of the longest, fastest rides downhill you'll find northern lower Michigan. You definitely were not in Kansas.

On another channel...

The Boyne race took place on the very same day that the Addison Oaks Fall Classic was held (a truly, great ride in southern Michigan) and so the crowd at Boyne was fairly small. But, judging from the course and most people's reaction to it, a ride like this won't stay small for much longer. Back to the weather channel and the long range forecast...

My guess is that like skiers in the winter, more and more mountain bikers who are serious about their fun will be heading north whenever they get a chance. As for the weather, I guess I'd say it's always sunny and warm when you're lucky to be riding a mountain bike...Now where the heck is ESPN, I heard they were going to cover the Norba's in Durango...





### (The D.N.R. and You!...continued from page 1)

write, ME. NOW! Let me hear from you so that I can have a clearer understanding of what you feel is important for mountain bikers, so that I can express those concerns to our committee and the D.N.R.

If you want to bike, you have to write. The D.N.R. NOW! Between now and next spring what the D.N.R. hears about mountain bikers and what they want, how they plan on getting along with other trail users and what mountain bikers need will determine where, when and what your future mountain biking rides will be like. Up till now many areas such as State Parks, State Game areas, and forest have been open to mountain biking only because there has not been any policy developed and put into place to say otherwise. Some committees on the D.N.R. view things quite differently than we do as mountain bikers and we must make sure that we are heard from as the decisions are made. In the end, some of these areas will stay open and some will have to be closed.

Who died and made you king? You might ask.

How was I chosen to sit on the committees? Well, the publisher of this magazine, Bonnie Alsum (who was contacted first by the D.N.R.) asked me if I would mind if my name was thrown into the hat with other candidates for the bicycle committee from around the state.

"No. I don't mind." I said, thinking others with a lot more influence and power in the mountain biking community would volunteer and be selected over myself. Wrong. So here I am. It's all volunteer. I travel at my own expense to meetings, and volunteer my time. Which is nothing new, ask my wife or look at my bank account. However, what happens in the area of mountain biking trail development in the next few months will be new. Whether the news will be good news or bad is up to us, I'll tell them what you tell me to tell them.

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## Boyne Race Results

### Men Beginner 17 & Under

- 1 Dan Payne
- 2 Ryan Ojerlo
- 3 Matt Murray
- 4 J. Charles Pike
- 5 Brent Wiersema

### Men Intermediate 30 & Over

- 1 Stu Stuber
- 2 John Stoneburner
- 3 Kevin Mitchell
- 4 Rick Rutkowski
- 5 Tom Raynor

### Mens Beginner 18 to 29

- 1 Mick Bushong
- 2 Michael Barnett
- 3 Brian Johnson
- 4 Lance Whipple
- 5 Fred Featherly

### Men Expert

- 1 Mark Craner
- 2 David Mac Lean
- 3 Michael Ray
- 4 Randy Dickerson
- 5 Michael Seaman

### Mens Beginner 30 and over

- 1 Jim Steffens
- 2 Gary Adgate
- 3 Terry Price
- 4 Bruce Cowing
- 5 Steve Holmes

### Men Pro-Am

- 1 Don Fedrigon
- 2 Tim Flynn
- 3 Martin Minka

### Beginner Overall

- 1 Jim Steffens 1:00:34
- 2 Gary Adgate 1:02:00
- 3 Dan Payne 1:08:54
- 4 Mick Bushong 1:10:16
- 5 Terry Price 1:10:22

### Men Intermediate 18 to 29

- 1 M. J. Morlock
- 2 Chris Russell
- 3 Chris Kreple
- 4 Ken Mason
- 5 L. Thomas

### Intermediate Overall

- 1 M. J. Morlock 1:10:02
- 2 Chris Russell 1:14:13
- 3 Stu Stuber 1:37:35
- 4 Chris Kreple 1:37:43
- 5 J. Stoneburner 1:41:14



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# Addison Oak Race Results

Oakland County Parks and Recreation Commission hosted a Fall Mountain Bike Trials and Race at Addison Oaks County Park on September 24, 1989. Over 2,000 spectators enjoyed sunny warm day watching 400 riders compete for cash and prizes.

## OBSERVED TRIALS EVENTS

### Stock Beginner

- 1 Jason Innis
- 2 Steve Rybak
- 3 Guile Jewell
- 4 Todd Napieralski
- 5 James Godsey

### Stock Advanced

- 1 Scott McLaren
- 2 Dave Vandecar
- 3 Mark McLaren
- 4 Matt Daly
- 5 James Janik

### Trial Specialty

- 1 Edward Holmes
- 2 Mark Lawson
- 3 Bill Dietlin
- 4 Patrick Dueweke
- 5 Kevin Kent

### Expert

- 1 Tom McNeal
- 2 Bob Lawson
- 3 Frank Marciniak

## CROSS-COUNTRY EVENTS —RACE #1

### Beginner Women

- 1 Holly Halterman
- 2 Karen Deziel
- 3 Margaret Sanchez
- 4 Aimee Miltich
- 5 Heather Burgner

### Beginner Men 18-21

- 1 Brian Kaczmarek
- 2 Steve Kunnath
- 3 Kevin Smith
- 4 Guile Jewell
- 5 Dino Paglia

### Beginner Men 22-26

- 1 Todd Ulrich
- 2 Eric Lundquist
- 3 Ron Dileua
- 4 Terry Avinik
- 5 Jeff Morris

### Beginner Men 27-34

- 1 Tom Pilutti
- 2 Drake McLean
- 3 Johnny Babka
- 4 Mike Muha
- 5 Scott Baker

### 17 and Under

- 1 Steve Rybak
- 2 Albert Rybak
- 3 Bob Lawson
- 4 Branden Lyon
- 5 Tory Decker

### Vets 35-44

- 1 Stephen Ross
- 2 Greg Krist
- 3 Pat Lynch
- 4 Rob Lutz
- 5 Don Balkwell

### Masters 45+

- 1 Tom Neil
- 2 Thomas Jones
- 3 John Lepke
- 4 Gary Cook
- 5 Kenneth Genest

### Single Speed

- 1 Edward Holmes

## CROSS-COUNTRY EVENTS —RACE #2

### Sport Women

- 1 Lisa Harrington
- 2 Lisa Leon

- 3 Lizbeth Zimmerman
- 4 Cindy Burkart

### Sport Men 18-26

- 1 Michael Webster
- 2 Dan Klein
- 3 Steven Carlson
- 4 Jereld Rice
- 5 Ted Ruys

### Sport Men 27-34

- 1 David Hollis
- 2 Scott McLaren
- 3 Matt Daly
- 4 Stuart Svoboda
- 5 Robert Akers

### Expert

- 1 Tom Benua
- 2 Les Ankersen
- 3 Matthew Sanzobrin
- 4 Wendell Woodruff
- 5 Robert Bergren

### Pro-Am

- 1 Marel Russenbarger
- 2 Erik Borgnes
- 3 Steve Hammett

# Yankee Springs Race Results

## OVERALL BEGINNER (Of 98 Finishers)

1. Jim Steffens (0:55:09)
3. Dan Payne (1:01:44)
4. David Nichols (1:02:01)
5. Andy Thompson (1:02:07)
6. M.J. Morlock (1:02:11)
7. Bob Vasquez (1:02:36)
8. John Hotop (1:02:55)
9. Jeff Smith (1:02:57)
10. Darin Levander (1:03:01)

### Beginner Men's 17 & Under (13 Finished)

1. Dan Payne
2. M.J. Morlock
3. Scott Quiring
4. Cody Dalenborg
5. Ron Ojerio
6. Jason Provost
7. Brent Wiersema
8. Zack Bassett
9. Steve Martell
10. Grant Loutit

### Beginner Men's 18 to 29 (48 Finished)

1. Richard Susan
2. David Nichols
3. Andy Thompson
4. Bob Vasquez
5. John Hotop

6. Jeff Smith
7. Darin Levander
8. Brian Suppers
9. Michael Strickhouser
10. Mike Wood
11. Kevin Stevens
12. Tom Strumberga
13. Craig McManeman
14. Fritz Findeisen
15. Tim Bedow
16. Jeremy Derstine
17. Guile Jewell
18. Steve Johnson
19. Robert Robinson
20. Lance Whipple
21. Scott Courser
22. Ron Urman
23. Jim Pierson
24. Geoffrey Ssengoba
25. Jon Older

### Beginner Women's (All Ages) (11 Finished)

1. Holly Halterman
2. Valerie Marsh
3. Jolynn Schmidt
4. Rachel Robinson
5. Karen Torre
6. Sharon Hall
7. Anneke Armour
8. Lucyna Birkle
9. Janet Teel
10. Julia Davidson
11. Patricia Doran

## Beginner Men's 30 & Over (26 Finished)

1. Jim Steffens
2. Marc Luoma
3. Ron Wolter
4. Jim Arnold
5. Ruk Peterson
6. Jeff Fonty
7. Mark Warner
8. Gary Miller
9. Matt William
10. Walt Schultze
11. Nick Johnson
12. Scott Vogel
13. Charles Wright
14. Donald Nichols
15. LaVein Rice
16. Thomas Katsal
17. Dan Derhammer
18. Jeffery Betz
19. Dennis Derhammer
20. Ron Presley

## Overall Intermediate (of 61 Finishers)

1. Chris Haslock (1:25:30)
2. Todd Ferdy (1:28:06)
3. Joe Fritsch (1:29:03)
4. Dyron Adams (1:29:32)
5. Bob Lawson \*(1:30:56)
5. Stu Stuber \*(1:30:56)
6. Jeffery Hill (1:31:06)
7. Randy Guymer (1:31:27)

8. John Dohan (1:31:50)
9. Ted Ruys (1:34:24)
10. Laura Charameda (1:34:39)

### Intermediate Men's 17 & Under (3 Finished)

1. Bob Lawson
2. Brant Hendler
3. Chris Kreple

### Intermediate Men's 18-29 (24 Finished)

1. Chris Haslock
2. Todd Ferdy
3. Joe Fritsch
4. Jeffery Hill
5. Randy Guymer
6. Ted Ruys
7. Robert Stephanoff
8. John Gerritson
9. Andrew Rice
10. Carlos Reeder
11. Jeffrey Pettes
12. Anthony Walsworth
13. Mike Teel

### Intermediate Men's 30 & Over (20 Finished)

1. Byron Adams
2. Stu Stuber
3. John Dohan
4. Bill Fischer

5. Kevin Mitchell
6. Charles Robertson
7. T. Davidson
8. Reinhold Cordella
9. Patrick Eickenroth
10. Tim Jones
11. Steve Pruett
12. Steven Clarke
13. Kevin Birkle
14. Dale Harding
15. John Lepke

### Intermediate Women's (All Ages) (4 Finished)

1. Laura Charameda
2. Lisa Harrington
3. Cindy Burkhardt
4. Kathy Waksurmudski

### Men's Expert (7 Finished)

1. Fred Anderson
2. Craig Gietzan
3. Jeff Braunberger
4. Kelly Dermody
5. Brent Walk
6. Mark Cramer
7. Michael Seaman

### Men's Pro-Am (5 Finished)

1. Dan Packman
2. Steve Hammett
3. Scott Diment
4. Don Fedrigon Jr.
5. Erik Borgnes



# Starting A Mountain Bike Race Club

By Mike Bales

Mountain bike racing is becoming serious business here in the eastern United States. Clubs formed exclusively for off-road competition are thriving, assembling unattached riders into formidable teams.

Starting an off-road racing club is much easier than a road club because the former is not subject to cumbersome USCF regulations. This article will take you through four steps in establishing your own racing club. You can accomplish it in six to nine months depending on your degree of motivation.

The first step is to organize group training rides. Make it perfectly clear that these are rigorous training rides, not "fun rides", conducted for the sole purpose of developing highly competitive racers. With that understanding, you will attract only the most serious of riders, those who are totally committed to the success of the team.

The second step is to establish identity. This means selecting a name and designing a logo. Bike shops that field mountain bike racers can simply use the shop name and logo. One drawback to this is that in the event a shop becomes defunct, the team loses its identity. (It happened twice in one year to a local road team.)

When selecting a name, avoid comical or belligerent-sounding names (such as Mountain Bikers From Hell) because you're likely to turn off potential sponsors. The use of acronyms is popular and acceptable.

Logo design is next. A string logo is vitally important because it becomes the club's trademark—the primary identifying symbol. It will appear on everything from jerseys to stationery. Expect to pay several hundred dollars for a good logo. This price is reasonable since commercial graphic designers charge thousands for the same. Do not settle for simple lettering in order to save money.

The third and most important step is securing sponsorship and suppliers. Sponsorship means different things to various level of riders. To national-level NORBA Super riders, sponsorship means a position on a trade team complete with salary, bicycles, clothing, paid entry fees, travel expenses and lodging. Regional-level Super riders usually get a bicycle, clothing and paid entry fees but no salary and little or no travel expenses. Many camp out. Regional- and local-level Expert and Intermediate riders may get a bicycle and clothing at dealer cost or at a 20% discount.

Your first stop in search of sponsors/suppliers should be a local bike shop. Small shops can supply jerseys at cost (in exchange for advertising exposure). Larger shops may provide the same, plus parts and even bicycles at dealer cost. They can also give you access to sales representatives. The sales rep is the one contact you need to get your foot in the door of major sponsors

and suppliers. He can help you customize your proposals to prospects, and submit them with his recommendation to people in high places. Distributors are another channel to suppliers. Make sure you obtain the name of the contact, and address your proposal to him.

Your proposal should be clear, precise, direct and visual. Include resumes for each rider (both on- and off-road) detailing race results, along with photos and newspaper clippings. If possible, produce a short video.

The fourth step is producing jerseys. The jersey is a moving billboard on which your sponsors/suppliers have purchased ad space. The amount of space they get depends on the cash value of the sponsor/supplier package. The upper chest, mid back and side panels are prime ad space. Sleeves and pockets are secondary. Your club logo, though important, may need to go elsewhere. Jerseys can be stock items, one-color or club type, expressly designed to accept after-market screen printing. Custom-ordered jerseys with sublimated printing are the ideal choice if budget and quantity are substantial.

After the jerseys are printed and distributed, consider your club established. You are now official. When you show up at events, people will take notice. Before you were an obscure group of unattached riders with no identity. Now, with sponsors and suppliers, you are a high-profile racing club—a force to be reckoned with.

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# MOUNTAIN BIKING THE BENT RIM BUGLE

## THE D.N.R. AND YOU - MMBA

Ask anyone on the staff of the BRB, my wife, my son, my friends and perhaps even the man or woman on the street - this latest issue of the BRB has been too long in the making.

Why?

The biggest reason is mountain biking in Michigan is going through some enormous changes. In the last few months everyone who is riding, thinking about riding, thinking about buying a mountain bike or thinking about a mountain bike is ultimately being affected by the changes that are taking place in the sport. (Not to mention there has always been a lack of money to get the BRB out at all, let alone on time.)

I was not sure whether to leave the cover story intact or not, because it is dated. So much has happen since I wrote that story. But that may be why I left it, to provide contrast showing how things were, and this is an explanation of how things will be from now on.

The facts are:

The DNR has closed\* the door on mountain biking in the State Parks as of January first. Pending is the closure of the State Recreation Areas, on April first. In contrast, when I wrote the cover article, all of us on the trail access committees had no idea that this would take place. (\*Actually, the document has not been signed as of this writing. There has been a lot of misinformation out there on the issue and it is my personal intent and the intent of all those concerned to help clear up this issues, and affect it positively for all those involved.)

Another fact:

You must now make yourself available to your local State Park Directors on up to the heights of the DNR bureaucracy and offer your willingness to assist in trail policy development and perhaps even design, as an individual, club, and/or a mountain biking business in any way possible. In contrast, when the committees were formed, we assumed that we could "casually" channel this information to those who needed it.

Fact:

As mountain bikers, we are no longer anonymous. There have been newspaper articles on us, we are now being regulated, and our off-road riding lives are being affected. In contrast, there was a time when we were small enough in number that we were a curiosity more than anything else.

Fact:

We need to be organized. We need to be able to respond to issues in a collective way. We must be able to work together to maintain and develop our right as individuals and to help promote the interest of mountain bikers, and exchange information on rides, races, and events in the state of Michigan. Hence the:

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After much discussion, with many individuals, bike shops, dealers and manufactures in the mountain biking area the mechanisms for the the association have been put into gear:

1. Michigan Mountain Biking Association (MMBA) is a Non- Profit Organization and is currently seeking tax exempt status. As such will follow all the developmental guidelines required by law to obtain a Tax-Exempt status.
2. Incorporate the Bent Rim Bugle (BRB) as its magazine and newsletter.
3. Seek to represent the concerns, ideas and be a source of information to of all its members to all interested parties.

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Patron -	250.00
Benefactor -	500.00
	(or more)

Information on Manufacturer and Supplier memberships are available upon request. Please note that the editorial office of the Bent Rim Bugle remains the same;

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The intent of the BRB, as in the past is to be about you . In addition to keeping you informed on trail access issues, I (as the new editor) more than anything want the BRB to be filled with as much information you are interested in -as possible. Send me your stories, send me your pictures, send me ideas - I want to hear from you the readers! Your participation will reflect the size, form and direction of the BRB.



**First Meeting!**  
**Michigan Mountain  
Biking Association**

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Sunday, January 28. Addison Oaks County Park. (near Oxford, North of Detroit). Mt. Bike Ice Race. Registration 1pm-3pm on day of race. Alternate date in case of warm weather is Feb. 4. Contact the Park Office for more information: (313) 693-2432.

February 13. La Crosse, WI. Mountain Bi'ICICLE' Khana, a wintertime Mountain Bicycle event with races and fun oriented events. Part of La Crosse's "Winter RecFest". For more information call (608) 782-3480.

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May 6. Mt. Bike Race. Addison Oaks County Park. For more information write to the Park Office: 2800 Watkins Lake Road, Pontiac, MI. 48054.

For More Information on Races in 1990 see "Race Promoters" on Page 10.

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## Publications and Clubs:

International Mountain Bicycling Association (IMBA)  
Route 2, Box 303  
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Concerned Offroad Bicyclists Association (CORBA)  
15236 Victory Blvd. #149  
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P.O. Box 23032  
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P.O. Box 76  
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7836 Ridgewood Drive  
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